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TO: Alderman Ashanti Hamilton, Chairman  
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FROM: Audra Brennan, Director  
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RE: City of Milwaukee's 2011 Federal Legislative Package

Attached for your consideration is a proposed 2011 Federal Legislative Package for the City of Milwaukee. The proposals have been generated by City Departments, Common Council members and Mayor Barrett. Together they reflect issues of importance to the City that can be addressed by the Federal Legislature and Administration.

Departments were asked to submit items for consideration which required Federal action to provide better outcomes in one of the following strategic planning areas:

- City fiscal capacity
- Public safety
- Public Health
- City Infrastructure
- Quality of life (Education, Neighborhoods, Environment)
- Economic Well-being

This agenda is intended to help track the City's efforts at the federal level and to facilitate a consistent message in interactions with members of our federal delegation and administration officials in the 2011 Federal Legislative Session. As with the State Legislative Package, additional items may be added through separate resolution.

The Intergovernmental Relations staff looks forward to responding to any of your questions regarding the 2011-12 Federal Legislative Package.

cc: Mayor Tom Barrett

Attachments

<b>City of Milwaukee 2011 Federal Legislative Priorities</b>		
<b>Basic Principles</b>		
	Support direct appropriations to local governments and strong local control over funding decisions for all federal appropriations.	
	Seek to sustain the City's annual federal funding levels, adjusted as appropriate for inflation or change in need.	
<b>Strategic Planning Area</b>		<b>City Dept</b>
<b>Fiscal Capacity</b>		
	Create a direct revenue sharing program with the 50 largest city governments	DOA
<b>Community Health</b>		
	Seek funding for HIV Prevention from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention	MHD
	Support Implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Health Care Reform)	MHD
<b>Protecting Public Safety</b>		
	Increase funding for Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) and Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)	MPD
<b>Quality of Life</b>		
	Increase funding for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and other HUD programs	DOA
	Support funding for the National Housing Trust Fund	CC
	Expand use of funds under the HOME Investment Partnerships Act so that they may be used with Capital Funds to develop public housing units.	HACM
	Fully fund the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Programs	DOA
	Support Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs.	DOA
	Increase resources and tools to deal with foreclosed and abandoned properties.	DOA
<b>Sound and Efficient Infrastructure</b>		
	Support a fix-it-first policy for local roadway improvements as part of Reauthorization of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act. (SAFETEA-LU)	DPW
	Obtain federal support for City of Milwaukee projects related to roads, bridges, infrastructure, mass transit, technology, ports, etc. as part of the reauthorization of SAFETEA - LU	DOA
	Include sewer lateral repairs as part of Administration's proposed Infrastructure bill	DPW
<b>Economic Development and Well-Being</b>		
	Support for Aerotropolis concept, including HR 5236	CC/DCD
	Extend the Renewal Communities tax incentives	DCD
	Exempt Non-Profit Community Development Corporations from the Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 (SAFE Act)	DCD
	Increase funding for youth training and summer youth jobs, including emergency TANF funds extension.	DOA / MAWIB
	Support reauthorization of the Workforce Investment Act	MAWIB
	Preserve and expand the Community Reinvestment Act	DOA / DCD
	Provide funding to cleanup brownfields through the Brownfield Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) and related programs.	DCD